

HOUSE BILL 384

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By: **Delegates James ~~and Riley~~, Riley, Benson, McDonough, and Nathan-Pulliam**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term Care Facilities**
3 **- Extension**

4 FOR the purpose of extending the termination date of the Task Force to Study
5 Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term Care Facilities; altering certain dates
6 by which certain reports are required to be submitted; and generally relating to
7 the Task Force to Study Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term Care
8 Facilities.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Chapter 672 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008
11 Section 1 and 2

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Chapter 672 of the Acts of 2008**

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 MARYLAND, That:

17 (a) There is a Task Force to Study Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term
18 Care Facilities.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

2 (1) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the
3 President of the Senate;

4 (2) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker
5 of the House;

6 (3) The Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee;

7 (4) The Secretary of Aging, or the Secretary's designee;

8 (5) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary's
9 designee;

10 (6) The Secretary of Disabilities, or the Secretary's designee;

11 (7) The Executive Director of the Maryland Health Care Commission,
12 or the Executive Director's designee; and

13 (8) The following members, appointed by the Governor:

14 (i) A practicing Maryland attorney who has expertise in health
15 care and has represented nursing homes in Maryland;

16 (ii) One representative of each of the following providers:

17 1. Continuing care retirement community;

18 2. Independently owned nursing facility;

19 3. Nonprofit nursing facility;

20 4. Direct care nursing home workers; and

21 5. Entity that owns three or more nursing facilities; and

22 (iii) One representative of each of the following organizations:

23 1. Health Facilities Association of Maryland;

24 2. Mid-Atlantic Lifespan;

25 3. AARP;

26 4. Alzheimer's Association;

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1 (2) On or before June 1, [2010] **2012**, the Task Force shall submit a
2 final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance
3 with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 July 1, 2008. It shall remain effective for a period of [2] 4 years and, at the end of June
6 30, [2010] **2012**, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
7 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 June 1, 2010.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.